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SUBJ: ECLA: 17TH SESSION: RESOLUTION ON CREATION OF A SYSTEM
OF COORDINATION AND COOPERATION AMONG PLANNING BODIES
OF LATIN AMERICA AND STRENGTHENING OF THE LATIN
AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANNING

1. FOLLOWING DRAFT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY GUATEMALA,
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, VENEZUELA AND COLOMBIA:

"CREATION OF A SYSTEM OF CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERATION
AMONG PLANNING BODIES OF LATIN AMERICA AND STRENGTHENING
OF THE LATIN AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
PLANNING

- THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA,
-CONSIDERING THAT THE LATIN AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANNING (ILPES) ORIGINALLY PROPOSED
BY CEPAL RESOLUTION 199 (IX) AND ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION
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220 (AC.52) OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF CEPAL, HAS
PLAYED AND CONTINUES TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE
DEVELOPMENT OF PLANNING IN LATIN AMERICA, THROUGH ITS
BASIC FUNCTIONS OF TRAINING, ADVISORY SERVICES AND
RESEARCH,

"BEARING IN MIND THAT, IN VIEW OF ITS EFFECTIVE
CONTRIBUTION TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF LATIN AMERICA, THE

LATTER DECIDED IN RESOLUTION 340 (AC.66) OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE THAT ILPES SHOULD BECOME A PERMANENT AGENCY OF THE UNITED NATIONS WITHIN THE CEPAL SYSTEM,

"TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT RECENTLY CEPAL RESOLUTION 351 (XVI) PROVIDED THAT ILPES SHOULD CO-OPERATE IN"THE EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND RESEARCH RESULTS ON GLOBAL, SECTORAL AND REGIONAL PLANNING BETWEEN THE PLANNING BODIES OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES, SO AS TO PROMOTE COLLABORATION AMONG THEM,

"NOTING WITH SATISFACTION THE HOLDING OF THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS AND HEADS OF PLANNING IN CARACAS, VENEZUELA, FROM 13 TO 16 APRIL 1977, ORGANIZED JOINTLY BY CEPAL AND THE GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA, AS WELL AS THE REPORT OF THAT CONFERENCE AND OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE OF THE LATIN AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANNING,

"1. ENDORSES THE AGREEMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN REPORT OF THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS AND HEADS OF PLANNING OF LATIN AMERICA;

"2. FULLY SUPPORTS THE SYSTEM OF CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERATION AMONG PLANNING BODIES OF LATIN AMERICA WHICH WAS APPROVED AT THAT CONFERENCE, AND WHOSE ESTABLISHMENT CONSTITUTES AN IMPORTANT STEP FORWARD FOR REGIONAL CO-OPERATION;

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3. NOTES WITH SATISFACTION THE EXISTENCE OF SUB-REGIONAL MACHINERY -NAMELY THAT SET UP WITHIN THE CDCC FOR THE COUNTRIES OF CARIBBEAN- FOR BRINGING TOGETHER THOSE IN CHARGE OF PLANNING;

"4. DECIDES THAT THE ILPES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION 340 (AC.66) BE REPLACED BY THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS AND HEADS OF PLANNING OF LATIN AMERICA, FROM ITS NEXT SESSION ONWARDS;

"5. RESOLVES THAT THE LATIN AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANNING BE MADE THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT OF THE SYSTEM OF CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERATION AMONG PLANNING BODIES OF LATIN AMERICA, AND THAT IT ASSISTS GOVERNMENTS IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE FUNCTIONS OUTLINED IN PARA 2 OF PART III OF THE REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE.

"6. REAFFIRMS THAT, AS LAID DOWN BY THE CONFERENCE, ILPES MUST HAVE A STABLE FINANCIAL BASIS, AS A PERMANENT

UNITED NATIONS AGENCY WITHIN THE CEPAL SYSTEM;

"7. SUPPORTS THE RECOMMENDATION MADE BY THE CONFERENCE THAT THE TEMPORARY BUDGETARY ASSISTANCE APPROVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTY-FIRST SESSION BE PLACED ON A PERMANENT BASIS AND INCREASED AS FROM JAN 1978 SO THAT ILPES CAN CARRY OUT ITS BASIC FUNCTIONS AND ITS NEW TASKS AS TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT.

"8. FULLY SUPPORTS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONFERENCE RELATING TO THE FINANCING OF ILPES IN THE SHORT TERM, REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF CEPAL TO NEGOTIATE WITH UNDP A SIX-MONTH EXTENSION OF PHASE FOUR OF THE ILPES PROJECT FROM 30 JUNE 1977, AND FURTHER REQUESTS THE COUNTRIES TO MAKE AVAILABLE FOR THAT PERIOD THE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION THEY HAVE OFFERED,

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"9. REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF CEPAL TO NEGOTIATE WITH UNDP A PHASE FIVE FOR ILPES TO BEGIN ON 1 JAN 1978, IN WHICH CONNECTION IT IS RECALLED THAT COUNTRIES SHOULD MAKE A COLLECTIVE EFFORT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE FINANCING OF ILPES, AS INDICATED AT THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS AND HEADS OF PLANNING OF LATIN AMERICA;

"10. THANKS UNDP FOR THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION WHICH IT HAS MADE TO ILPES HITHERTO, WHILE REQUESTING IT TO CONTINUE GIVING ILPES THE GREATEST POSSIBLE SUPPORT;

"11. REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO CONTINUE EXPLORING OTHER SOURCES OF FINANCING AND COOPERATION IN ORDER TO BROADEN THE ACTIVITIES OF ILPES;

"12. REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO FOSTER THE COORDINATION OF ILPES PROGRAMMES WITH SIMILAR PROGRAMMES OF CEPAL AND OTHER UNITED NATIONS BODIES,

"13. URGES THE RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS BODIES AND THE GOVERNMENTS TO CHANNEL THROUGH ILPES A SUITABLE PROPORTION OF THE FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE PLANNING IN TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMMES;

"14. REQUESTS CEPAL AND ILPES TO CONVENE ANNUALLY, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH GOVERNMENTS, A CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS AND HEADS OF PLANNING OF LATIN AMERICA."

2. USDEL PLANS TO CALL FOR VOTE AND VOTE AGAINST RESOLUTION UNLESS ADVISED OTHERWISE BY DEPARTMENT.

3. IN OUR VIEW, PREAMBULAR PARA 4 AND OPERATIVE
PARAS 1, 2, 4, AND 5 ARE UNACCEPTABLE AS THEY
INVOLVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF AN ECLA ORGANIZED CONFERENCE
IN WHICH THE US WAS NOT INCLUDED AND OF WHICH WE WERE
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REPLACE THE ILPES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE WITH FUTURE SESSIONS
OF THIS CONFERENCE AND TO PLACE ILPES AT THE DISPOSAL OF A NON-UN
ORGANIZATION.

4. OPERATIVE PARAS 6-10 HAVE BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS
WHICH ARE UNCLEAR TO US. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GUIDANCE
DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE.

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